

Annual Report of the ECRHS for the year January 2002 – December 2002

A total of **190** projects were submitted to the Ethics Committee from January 2002 – December 2002.

34 projects were approved at first submission. Of these, 27 projects were given the final letter of approval 7 projects were given provisional permission subject to regulatory approval. 153 projects were not approved at first submission as there were scientific and ethical lacunae in the submitted protocols. For these projects, ECRHS comments, concerning modifications in the protocol were sent to investigators. 3 projects did not come under the purview of the ECRHS.

The status of projects submitted from January 2002 – December 2002 will be asked for by the ECRHS in December 2003.

In December 2002, the ECRHS requested investigators to provide the status of projects submitted during January 2001 - December 2001. This is given below:

Total Projects reviewed by ECRHS in 2001 = 141

Projects completed:	50
Projects not approved as answers to ECRHS suggestions not received:	25
Projects that were approved but not initiated:	11
Ongoing projects:	15
Projects discontinued :	1
Projects whose status was not submitted by Investigator:	<u>39</u>
Total	141

15 out of the 142 projects submitted in the Year 2000 were ongoing till December 2001. Of these 14 projects were completed when the status was taken in December 2002. Thus only 1 project submitted in 2001 is ongoing till date.